

## Closing the Loop Awards

Recycling is a supply chain that results in commodities moving from the curb to new products made in Michigan. This award recognizes a business that makes products from recycled material generated by Michigan households and businesses.

### Petoskey Plastics



Petoskey Plastics is an innovative leader in sustainable manufacturing, packaging and recycling of plastic bags and film. At the core of their leadership in sustainable plastics manufacturing is vertical integration of three extrusion plants and a leading edge recycling facility. Petoskey Plastics is equipped to divert up to 36 million pounds of plastic a year from landfills by recycling the material into GreenPE<sup>®</sup> resin which is used in a proprietary, multi-layer extrusion process to manufacture new plastic film products. Petoskey Plastics services multiple closed loop programs with large companies in sectors such as retail, shipping, and beverage. They partner with customers to divert their post-consumer plastic from landfills by providing collection, shipping and consulting services. They work with their customers to develop engineered solutions to manufacturing new products to their specifications while including up to 70 percent post-consumer recycled (PCR) content in these products. The end result of this process is the creation of high quality products made from their customers' own recycled plastic, thus "closing the loop" and producing a high level of sustainability from beginning to end.

Petoskey Plastics is also recognized as an important partner in helping Flint address the water crisis. They have donated the recycling collection bags being handed out at the water distribution centers. Because of Petoskey Plastics' leadership and support, the residents of Flint are more easily able to recycle. Those water bottles are being processed in Michigan and manufactured into new products like a car part on GM's Chevy Equinox. Petoskey Plastics' leadership in closed loop manufacturing has them deserving this Governor's "Closing the Loop" Excellence in Recycling Award.